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THE HEDGEHOG

DURING A BATTLE AGAINST THE MANIACAL DOCTOR EGGMAN, SONIC THE HEDGEHOG HARNESSSED CHAOS CONTROL AND CAUSED A DIMENSIONAL RIFT THAT SENT DOCTOR EGGMAN, SONIC, AND SONIC'S FRIENDS TO AN ALTERNATE STATION SQUARE ON AN ALTERNATE EARTH.

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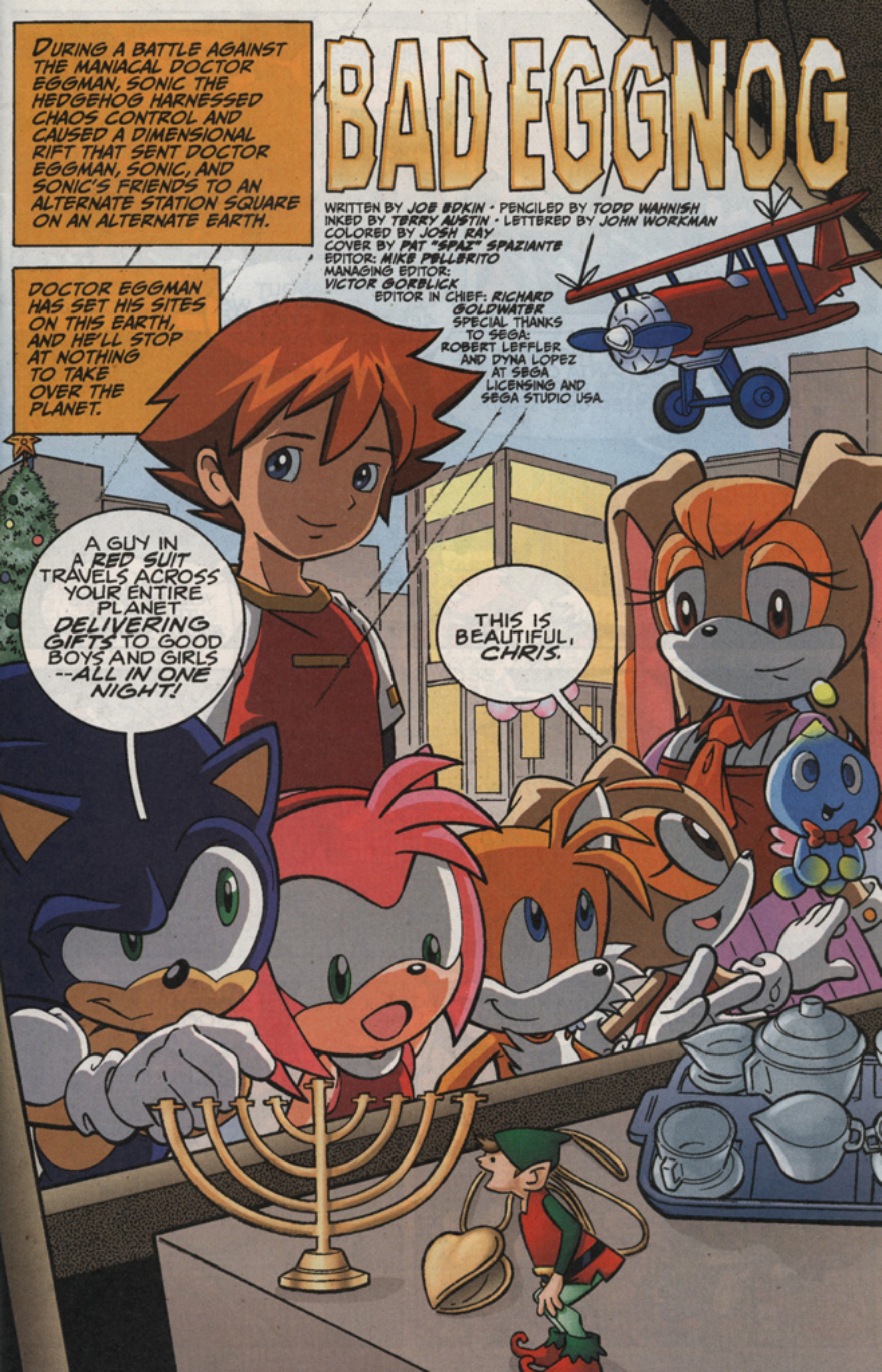
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DOCTOR EGGMAN HAS SET HIS SITES ON THIS EARTH, AND HE'LL STOP AT NOTHING TO TAKE OVER THE PLANET.

A GUY IN A RED SUIT TRAVELS ACROSS YOUR ENTIRE PLANET DELIVERING GIFTS TO GOOD BOYS AND GIRLS --ALL IN ONE NIGHT!

THIS IS BEAUTIFUL, CHRIS.





ELSEWHERE, ABOARD
DOCTOR EGGMAN'S
EGG CARRIER...

JOY
TO THE WORLD,
EGGMAN HAS COME!
LET EARTH RECEIVE
ITS ULTIMATE RULER
--THAT'S ME!

YOU SEEM
JOYOUS THIS
EVENING,
DOCTOR
EGGMAN.

I HAVE
BEEN
STUDYING THE
CUSTOMS OF THIS
BACKWARD LITTLE
PLANET, DECOE,
AND ITS HOLIDAY
CUSTOMS HAVE
SUGGESTED A
BRILLIANT
NEW PLAN!

SHOULD WE START
RUNNING AWAY
NOW, SIR?

WHAT
WAS THAT,
BOCOE?

UMM--
PLEASE
TELL US
MORE, O
BRILLIANT
ONE.

THE CHILDREN OF
THIS PLANET ARE
GOING TO GIVE ME
THE GIFT I MOST
WANT...

SONIC ALL READY
TO BE FROZEN IN A
BLOCK OF
ICE!

BUT
KIDS
LOVE
SONIC!

WHY WOULD
THEY TURN
HIM OVER TO
YOU?

IT'S
SIMPLE,
BOKKUN...

...NO GOOD
LITTLE BOY OR
GIRL WANTS TO
DISAPPOINT
SANTA CLAUS
AT THIS TIME
OF THE YEAR!

HA HA
HA, ER...

...HO HO HO,
THAT IS!

LATER, IN THE DINING ROOM OF THE THORNDYKE MANSION, HOME OF YOUNG CHRISTOPHER THORNDYKE...

THANKS FOR TAKING US TO SEE THE SHOP WINDOWS, CHRIS.

IT WAS A LOT OF FUN!

I CAN'T WAIT TO MEET SANTA CLAUS! MAYBE HE CAN GIVE US A NICE NEW EMERL!*

CHAO!

*CREAM WAS FORCED TO DESTROY THE PREVIOUS EMERL WHEN IT ATTACKED SONIC, AS SEEN ON THE TV SHOW!

YOU WON'T GET TO MEET HIM, CREAM.

WHY NOT?

BECAUSE HE WILL ONLY DELIVER TOYS IF YOU'RE ASLEEP.

HE NEVER LETS KIDS SEE HIM.

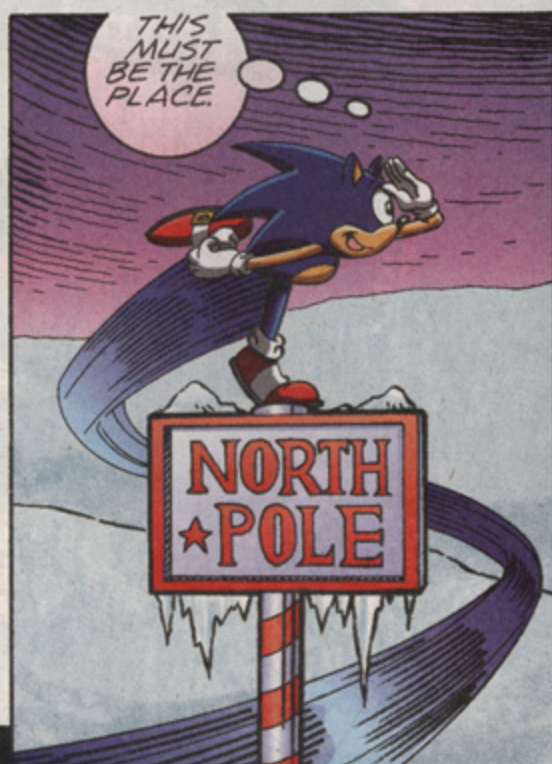
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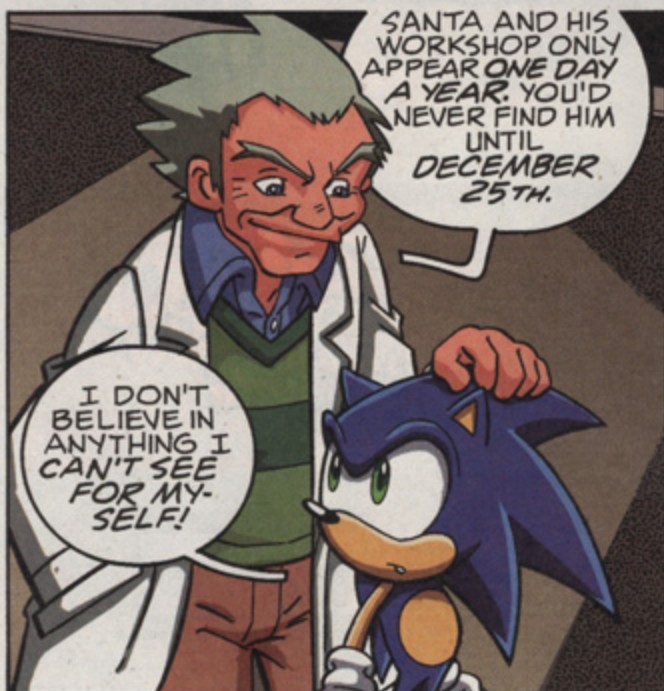
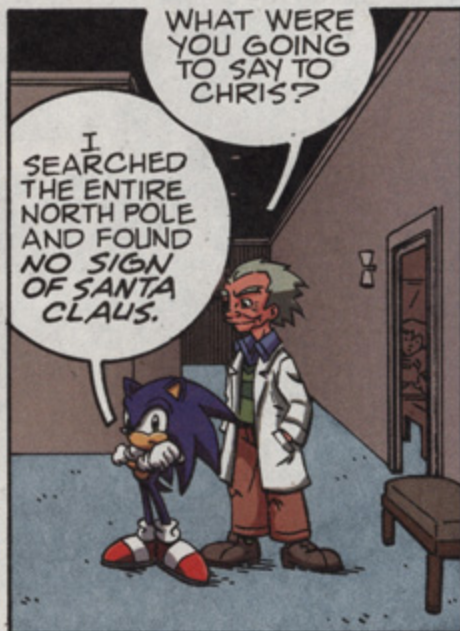
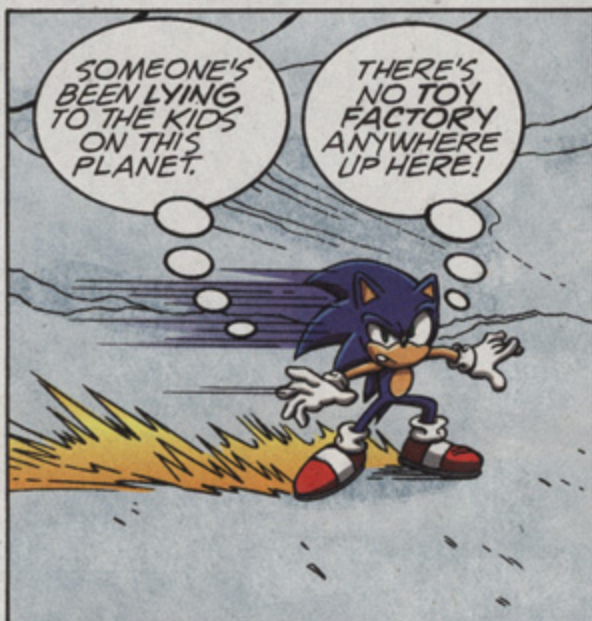
YOU JUST HAVE TO BELIEVE.

WELL, I BELIEVE, CHRIS.

IT SOUNDS FISHY TO ME.

WELL, IN A UNIVERSE WHERE ANIMALS THAT CAN SPEAK ENGLISH EXIST, WHY SHOULDN'T SANTA CLAUS?





GOOD
EVENING,
EVERYBODY. THIS
IS *SCARLET
GARCIA*, COMING
TO YOU LIVE
FROM TOWN
SQUARE.

I AM
DELIGHTED
TO BE YOUR
HOSTESS FOR
THE ANNUAL
LIGHTING OF
THE STATION
SQUARE
CHRISTMAS
TREE AND
MENORAH.

AND, AS
ALWAYS,
SANTA CLAUS
WILL BE OUR
SPECIAL GUEST
TONIGHT!

YAAAAAY!



MEANWHILE,
IN THE EGG
CARRIER...

IT IS NOW
MY PLEASURE
TO INTRODUCE
THE SPONSORS
OF TONIGHT'S
FESTIVITIES--
NELSON AND
LINDSEY
THORNDYKE!

HURRY,
DOCTOR
EGGMAN! THE
SHOW HAS
STARTED!

I AM AN ARTIST,
DECOE! I MUST
PREPARE MYSELF
FOR MY SCENE!



DOESN'T HE KNOW
THAT AN ARTIST IS
NEVER APPRECIATED
IN HIS LIFETIME
?

THIS IS
WHAT WE GET
FOR WORKING WITH
NON-UNION
TALENT.

FIRE
UP THE
CAMERAS,
BOYS...



...I'M
READY
FOR MY
CLOSE-
UP!

NELSON INDUSTRIES IS PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE THAT IT HAS DONATED ONE MILLION DOLLARS TO STATION SQUARE'S ANNUAL TOY DRIVE!

IT IS OUR GOAL TO MAKE SURE EVERY CHILD IN STATION SQUARE HAS THE HAPPIEST OF HOLIDAYS!

HO HO HO, EVERYBODY!

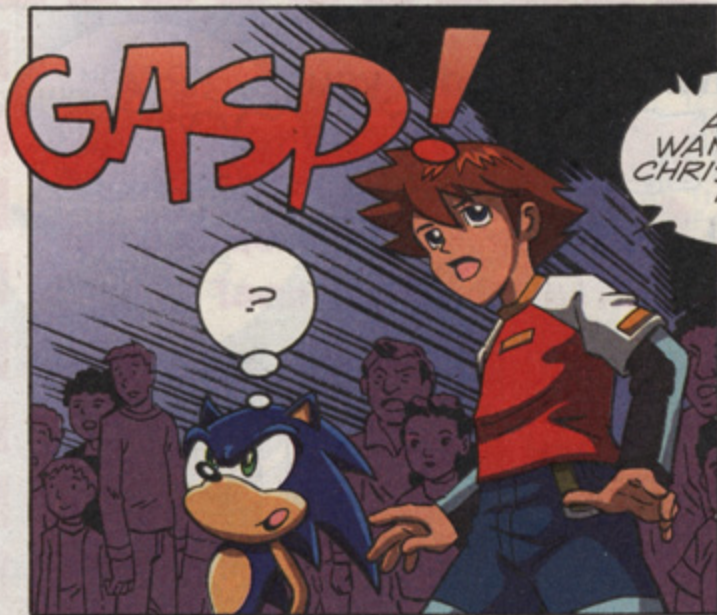
IT'S SANTA CLAUS!

YAAAAAAAY
SANTA!

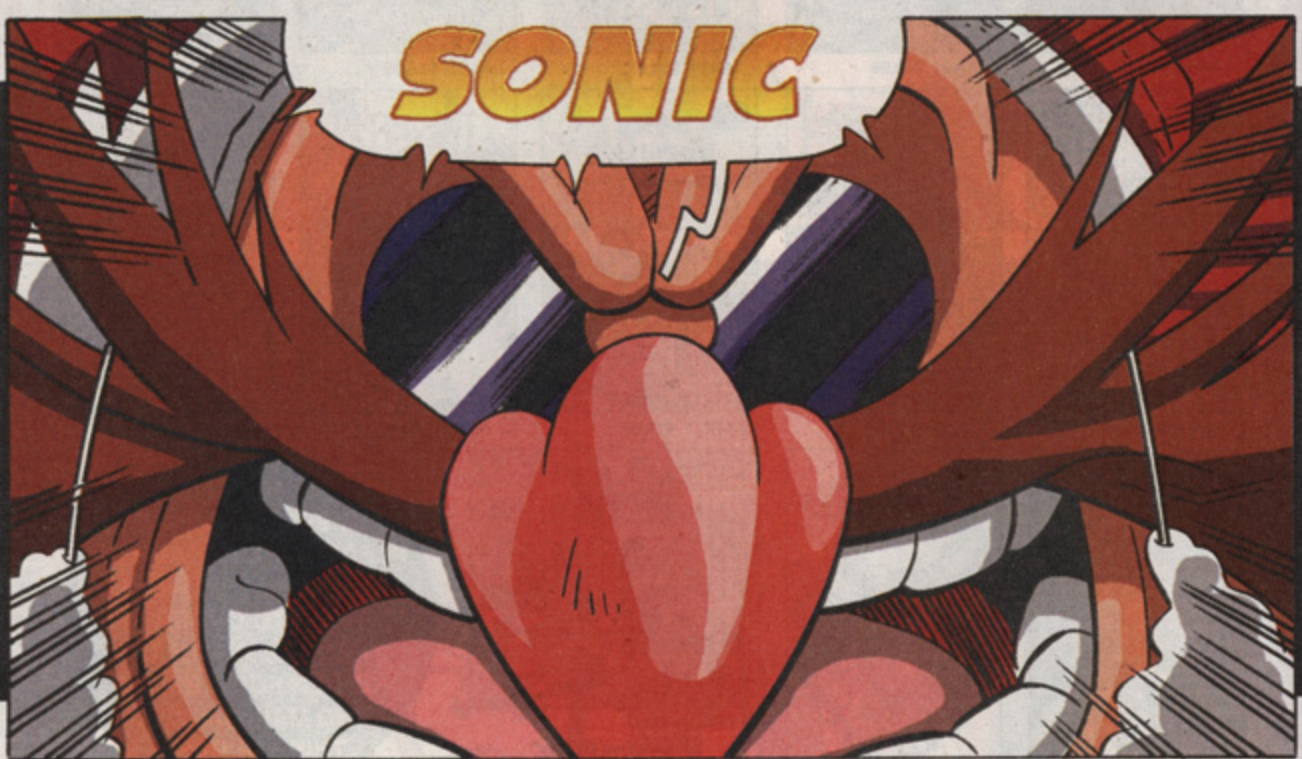
FOR YEARS AND YEARS, I HAVE BEEN BRINGING TOYS TO GOOD BOYS AND GIRLS ALL OVER THE WORLD, AND I HAVE NEVER ASKED FOR ANYTHING IN RETURN.

THIS YEAR, I WANT ALL GOOD LITTLE BOYS AND GIRLS TO GIVE ME A GIFT--

--OR THERE WILL BE NO TOYS FOR ANYONE!

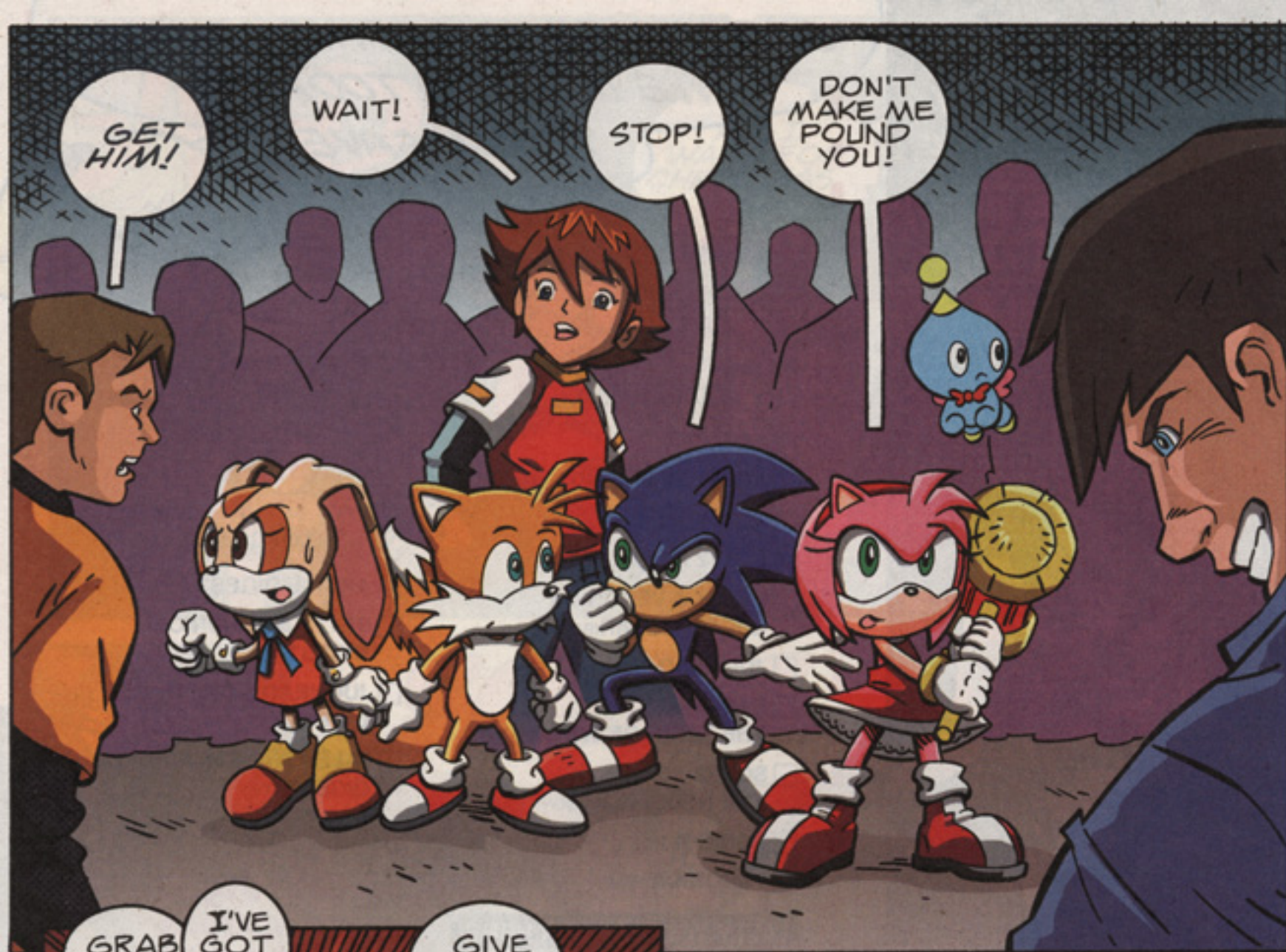


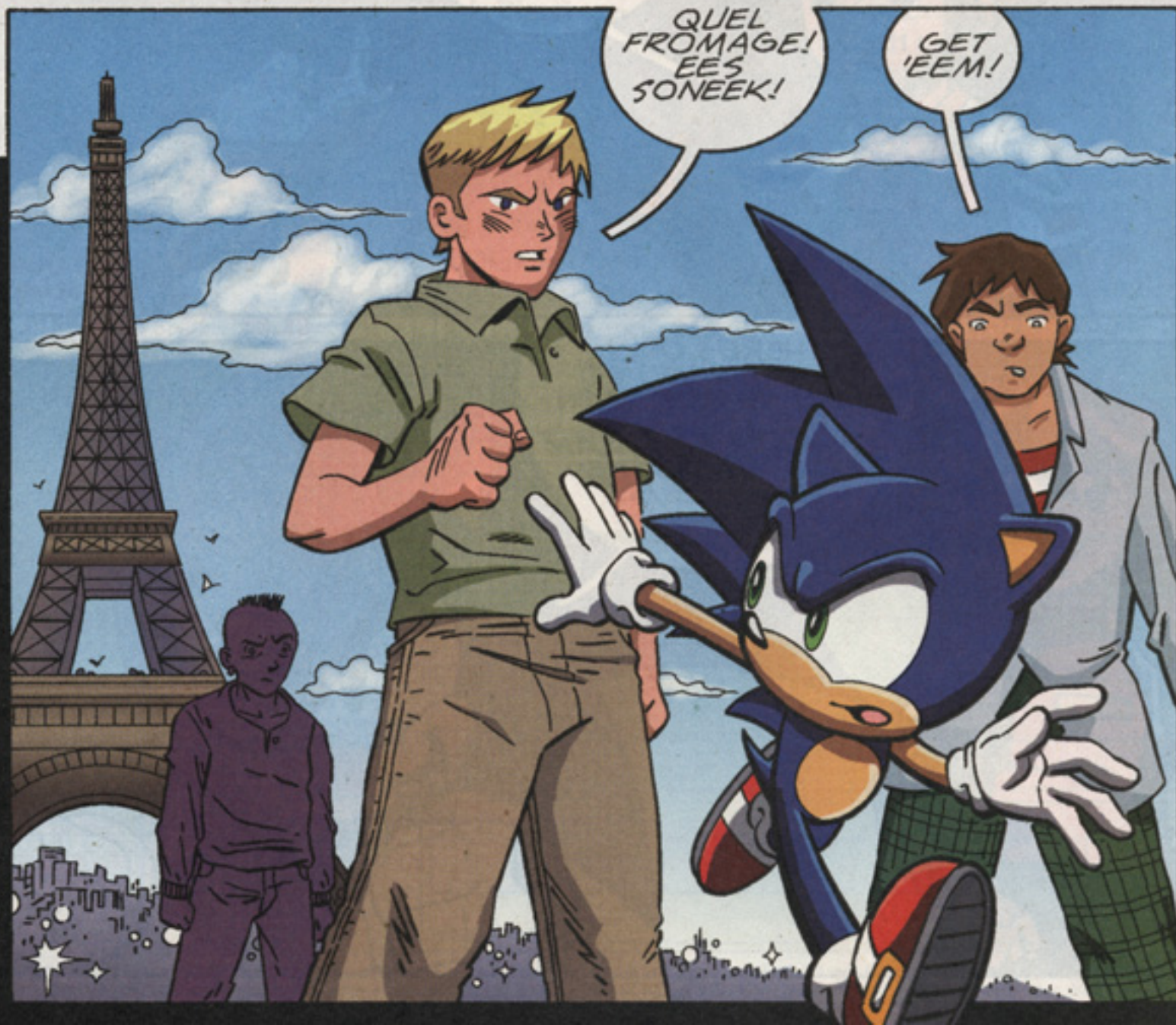
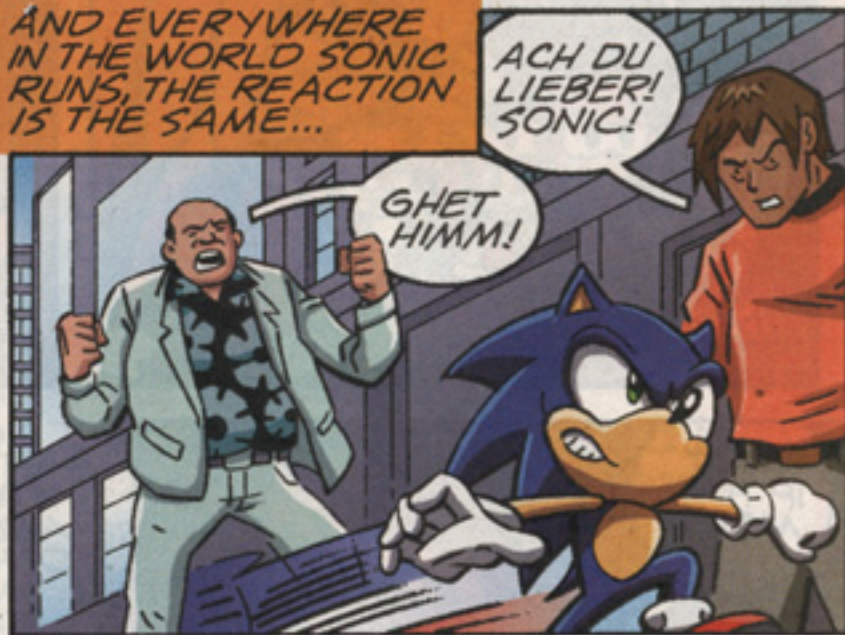
ALL I WANT FOR CHRISTMAS IS...



IF SONIC IS NOT DELIVERED TO ME ON THE COURTHOUSE STAIRS IN STATION SQUARE ON DECEMBER 24TH AT MIDNIGHT I SHALL TAKE MY TOYS AND GO HOME!







AFTER AVOIDING CROWDS ALL OVER THE WORLD FOR TWENTY-FOUR HOURS, SONIC HIDES OUT ON ANGEL ISLAND, HOME OF KNUCKLES THE ECHIDNA.

THANKS FOR LETTING ME STAY HERE, KNUCKLES.

WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO, SONIC?



SONIC, YOU HAVE TO TURN YOURSELF OVER TO SANTA.

CHRIS, THIS HAS GOT TO BE ONE OF EGGMAN'S TRICKS.



WHAT IF IT'S NOT?

I DON'T WANT SANTA CLAUS MAD AT ME AND EVERY OTHER KID IN THE WORLD.



THERE'S ONLY ONE THING TO DO. GIVE MYSELF UP ON THE 24TH AND UNMASK EGGMAN FOR THE ROTTEN EGG HE IS!



THIS IS SCARLET GARCIA. IT'S DECEMBER 24TH, AND THE CLOCK READS 11:58 P.M. A HUGE CROWD HAS GATHERED OUTSIDE THE COURTHOUSE IN STATION SQUARE.

PEOPLE, I AM GOING TO PROVE THAT THE MAN DEMANDING TO HAVE ME TURNED OVER IS *NOT* SANTA CLAUS, BUT *DOCTOR EGGMAN*!

LOOK! SANTA IS HERE.

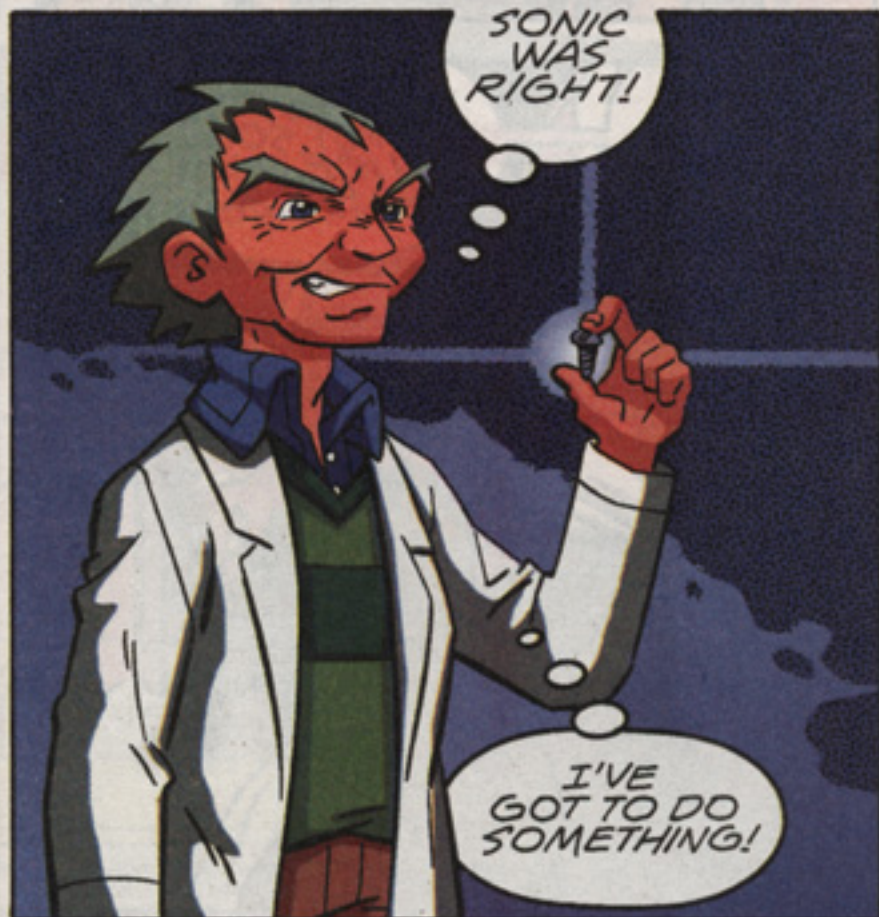
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HO
HO!

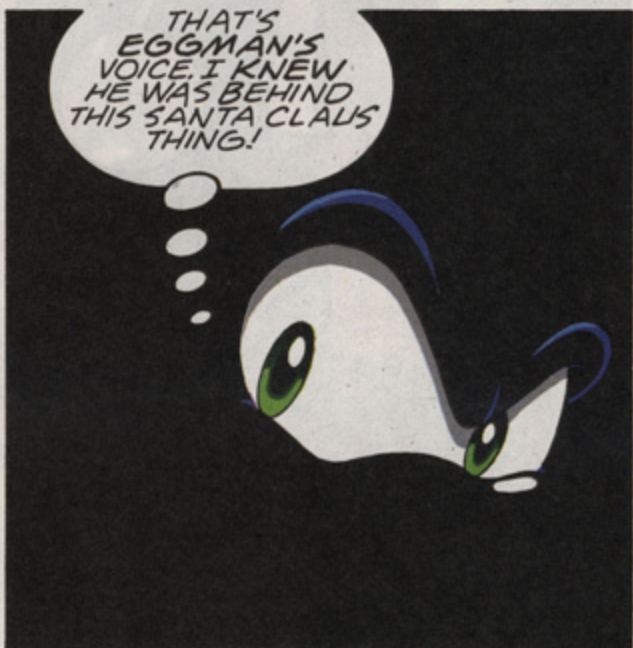
I AM HERE FOR SONIC THE HEDGEHOG.

WATCH WHAT HAPPENS WHEN I PULL THIS PHONY'S BEARD!











SANTA,
TOSS THAT
BAG INTO
THE PIT!

YES,
DOCTOR
EGGMAN.



STOP
RIGHT
THERE,
EGG-
MAN!



I CAN
PROVE THIS
WAS ALL JUST
A TRICK!

A TRICK?
WELL, I
NEVER!

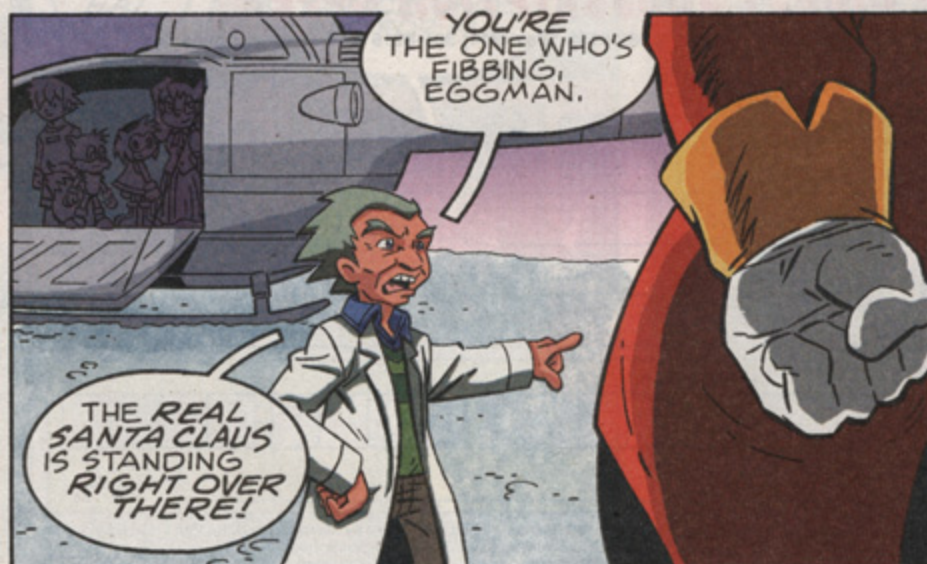
I'M JUST HERE
TO HELP THE
ESTEEMED
MR. CLAUS--
AT HIS REQUEST!



LIAR!

HOW CAN
YOU SAY
SUCH A
THING?

SANTA CLAUS
IS RIGHT HERE,
AND HE'S GOING
TO PUT YOU ON
HIS NAUGHTY
LIST FOR TELL-
ING FIBS!



YOU'RE
THE ONE WHO'S
FIBBING,
EGGMAN.

THE REAL
SANTA CLAUS
IS STANDING
RIGHT OVER
THERE!



HO!
HO!
HO!

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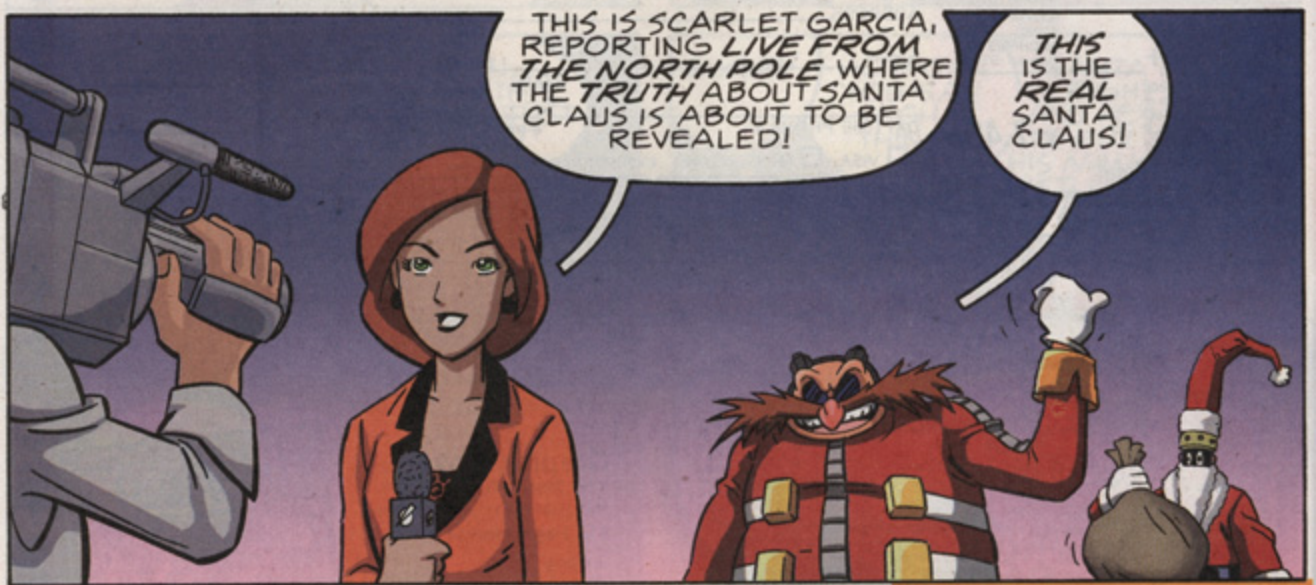
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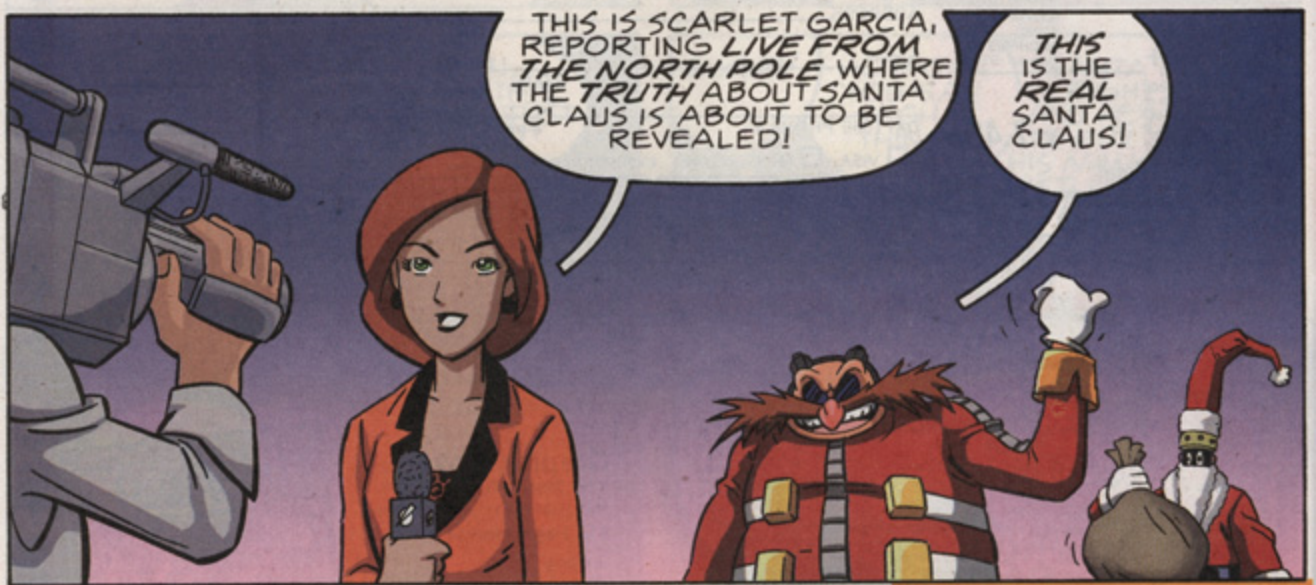
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THAT SANTA IS
AN IMPOSTER!



THIS IS SCARLET GARCIA,
REPORTING *LIVE FROM*
THE *NORTH POLE* WHERE
THE *TRUTH* ABOUT SANTA
CLAUS IS ABOUT TO BE
REVEALED!



THIS
IS THE
REAL
SANTA
CLAUS!



NO,
HE'S
NOT!



MERRY
CHRISTMAS
EARLY,
SONIC!



THIS IS
JUST
WHAT I
WANTED!



WITH THE RING IN HIS
HAND, SONIC BURSTS
INTO SUPERSPIN MODE,
READY TO UNMASK
THE IMPOSTER!

IT'S NOT
NICE TO
LIE TO
KIDS!

THUNK

HO HO-
OH OH!

UM--
TRICK
OR
TREAT?

EVEN IF
THIS WERE
HALLOWEEN,
YOU DON'T
DESERVE
ANY TREATS
FOR THIS
TRICK!

BAH,
HUMBUG!

THANKS
TO SONIC
THE HEDGEHOG,
THIS SANTA HAS
BEEN REVEALED
AS TWO OF
DR. EGGMAN'S
HENCHBOTS!

EGGMAN'S
EVIL PLOT
REVEALED
AND FOILED
AGAIN ON
LIVE TV! KIDS
AROUND THE
WORLD CHEER.



YAAAAAY,
SONIC!

YOU THINK
WE SHOULD
GO AFTER
THEM?

WHERE'S
YOUR
HOLIDAY
SPIRIT,
TAILS?

WE CAN
GET THEM
AFTER THE
WINTER
HOLIDAYS.

WHAT
ABOUT
VALENTINE'S
DAY?

WE REALLY
FOOLED THEM,
DIDN'T WE,
PROFESSOR?

WE
DID A
GREAT
JOB,
ELLA.

AFTER ALL THIS,
IT MAKES ME
WONDER IF THERE
REALLY IS A
SANTA CLAUS.

DON'T GIVE
UP HOPE,
CHRIS! I'M
SURE IF THERE
IS A SANTA CLAUS,
HE'LL REMEMBER
EVERYTHING WE
DID TODAY!

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